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Div. of Oil, Gas & Mining

Dear Mr. Baker,

After reviewing all the material received about the September 13-14, 2013 storm event that happened in the Butterfield Canyon, it would appear that the mining company, Kennecott Copper, should be issued a notice of violation. They should also be asked to remove their mine waste sediment that was deposited on the land of Salt Lake County residents and the community of Herriman, in the state of Utah.

Under the Utah Department of Administrative Service, Division of Administration Rules, Rule R647-4-107 Large Mining Operations, operation practices were violated. The public safety and welfare were put at risk from the toxic mine waste that was deposited on the lands of the Herriman community. The community was also put at risk because the mining operating practices did not prevent the mine waste from coming down and being deposited on neighbors' land. This mine waste is causing, and can reasonably be expected to cause, significant, imminent and environmental harm to land, air, and water resources.

We believe all sediment/debris that flowed outside of the permit area from the September 2013 storm event should be cleaned up and removed to DEQ standards. We also believe the community should be assured that future mining operations will not continue to put the public safety and welfare at risk.

Sincerely,
Boyd W. Dansie